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The Maryland Urban and Community Forest Committee is pleased to announce another grant opportunity. MUCFC will issue grants for up to \$1,000 to groups actively involved in planting and caring for trees. We currently have \$10,000 available for the 2005 Fall Grant program. This is the same Grant opportunity that many Boards took advantage of this past spring. Upon approval funding will be available for fall 2005 projects! Submit applications to the MUCFC by September 30, 2005.

MUCFC, in partnership with all of the Maryland Forestry Boards, received a generous financial gift for \$10,000 from the Chaney Foundation. The Chaney Foundation and the Chaney Companies specialize in stone, sand and concrete. Although the Chaney Foundation focuses its efforts in Southern Maryland, the \$10,000 will be spread geographically statewide.

September 30th is the cut-off date for fall grant applications with review, approval and notification of awards in mid-October. Another grant opportunity will be available for spring 2006 projects.

For more information about the grants or to receive an application, please contact Steve Parker at 410-313-7251 or <u>S50parker@comcast.net</u> or Wanda MacLachlan at 410-531-5973 or <u>wtm@umd.edu</u> or download the <u>application form</u>.

As a recipient of the grant, you are required to apply for a **PLANT** Community award. Download the <u>application</u> from the Maryland Urban and Community Forest Committee website: <u>www.dnr.state.md.us/forests/programs/plantinfo.html</u> If you don't have web access, call your local Forestry Board to obtain an application.

We appreciate your commitment and determination in tackling projects that educate and make a difference in your local community, and support the health and restoration of the Chesapeake Bay.

Wanda MacLachlan
Maryland Urban and Community Forest Committee